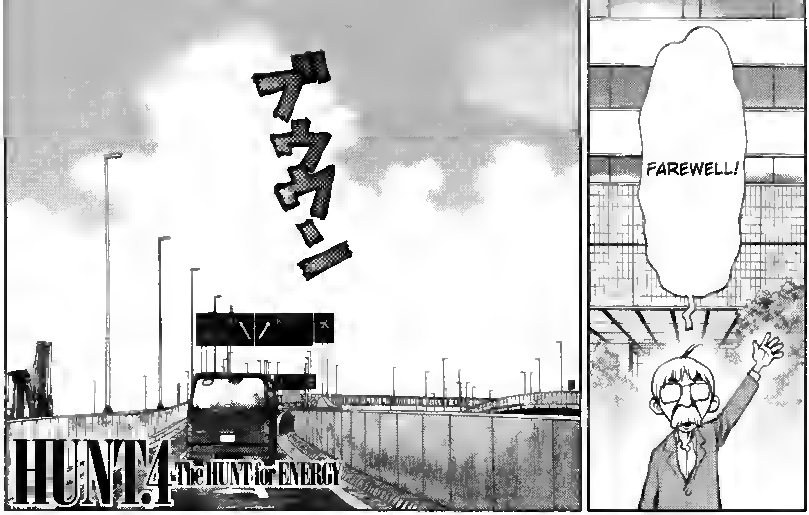
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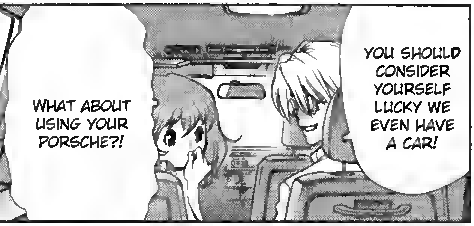
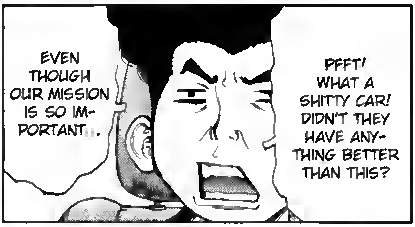
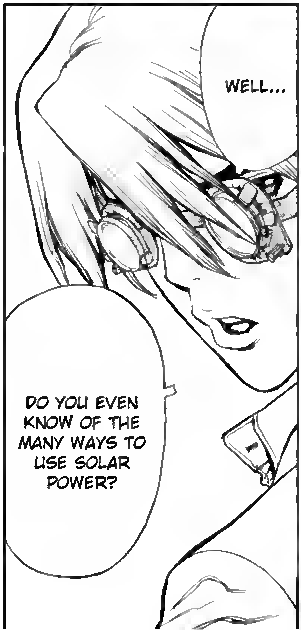
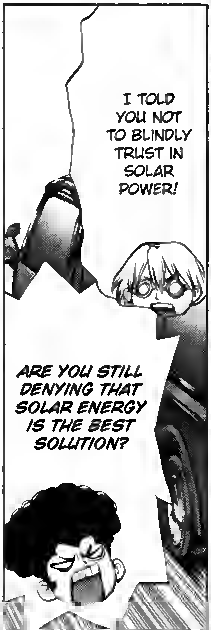
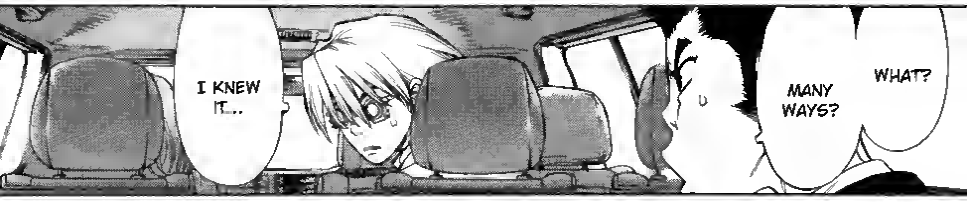

WHAT ABOUT USING YOUR PORSCHE?!
YOU SHOULD CONSIDER YOURSELF LUCKY WE EVEN HAVE A CAR!

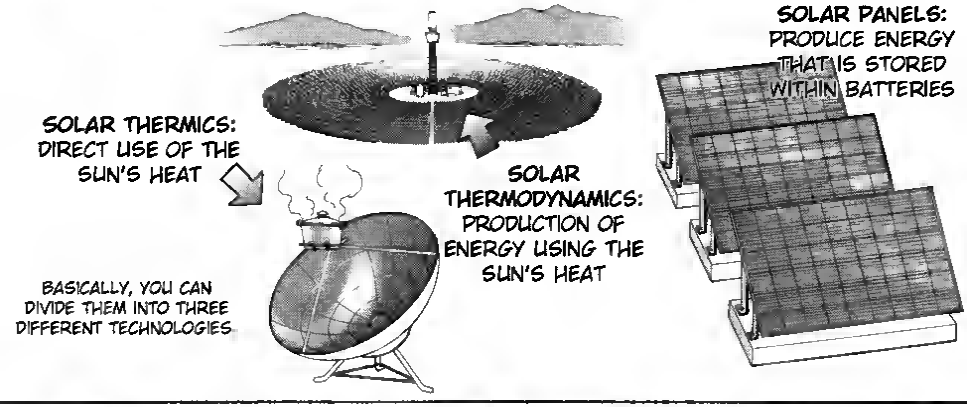

EVEN THOUGH OUR MISSION IS SO IMPORTANT...
PFFT! WHAT A SHITTY CAR! DIDN'T THEY HAVE ANYTHING BETTER THAN THIS?


WELL...
DO YOU EVEN KNOW OF THE MANY WAYS TO USE SOLAR POWER?


I TOLD YOU NOT TO BLINDLY TRUST IN SOLAR POWER!
ARE YOU STILL DENYING THAT SOLAR ENERGY IS THE BEST SOLUTION?

ANYWAY,
FOUR-EYES MAY CONTRADICT ME ONCE AGAIN, BUT...
I THINK OUR RESEARCH WILL COME TO AN END AFTER THIS VISIT!


I KNEW IT...
WHAT?
MANY WAYS?


SOLAR PANELS: PRODUCE ENERGY THAT IS STORED WITHIN BATTERIES
SOLAR THERMICS: DIRECT USE OF THE SUN'S HEAT
SOLAR THERMODYNAMICS: PRODUCTION OF ENERGY USING THE SUN'S HEAT
BASICALLY, YOU CAN DIVIDE THEM INTO THREE DIFFERENT TECHNOLOGIES

LONG STORY SHORT, WE WILL SOON KNOW WHO'S RIGHT.
THOUGH I ALREADY KNOW THAT PERSON IS ME.
USING SOLAR PANELS IS MORE THAN ENOUGH, RIGHT?
WHY WOULD WE DIVERSIFY OURSELVES?
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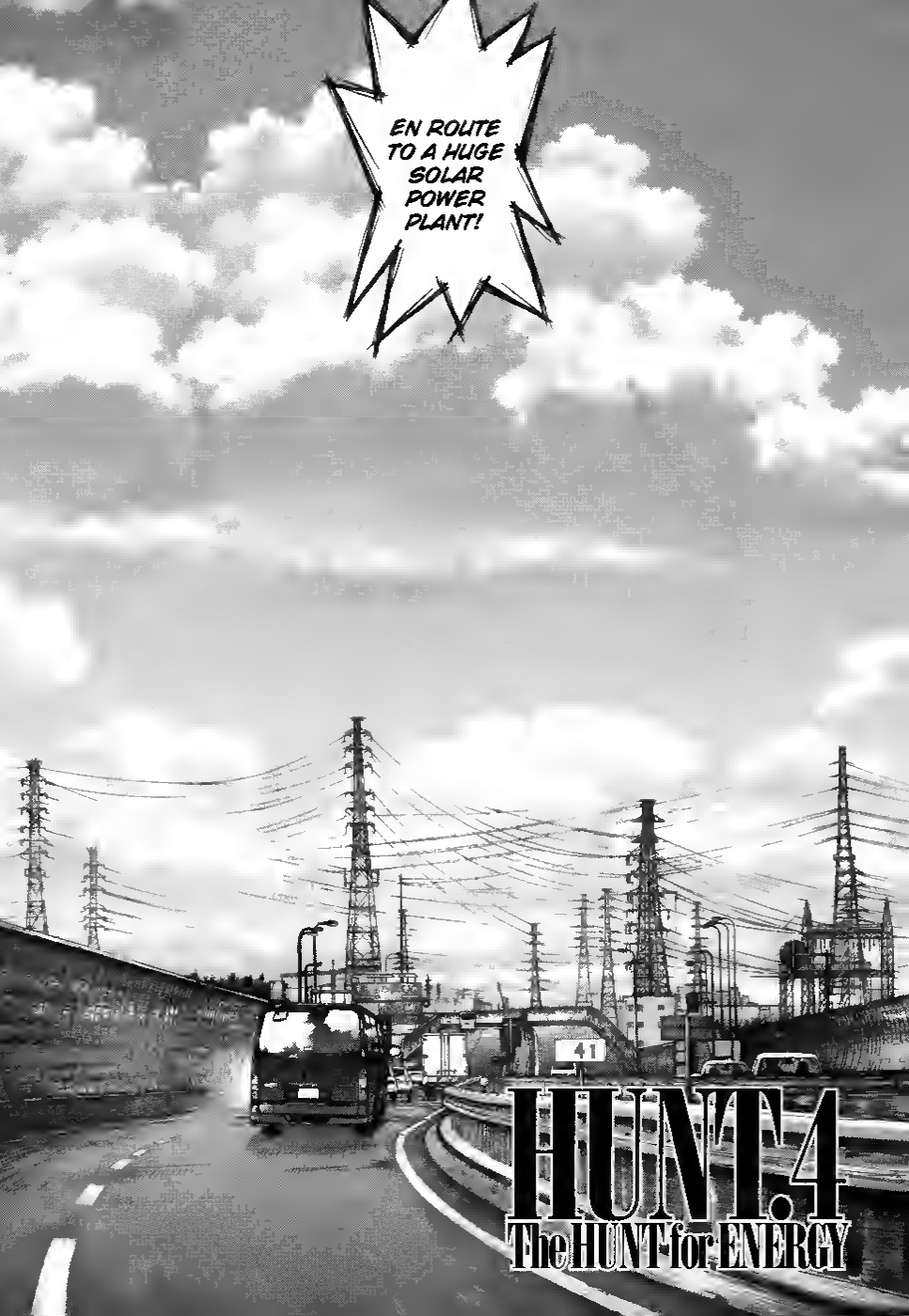
EN ROUTE TO A HUGE SOLAR POWER PLANT!
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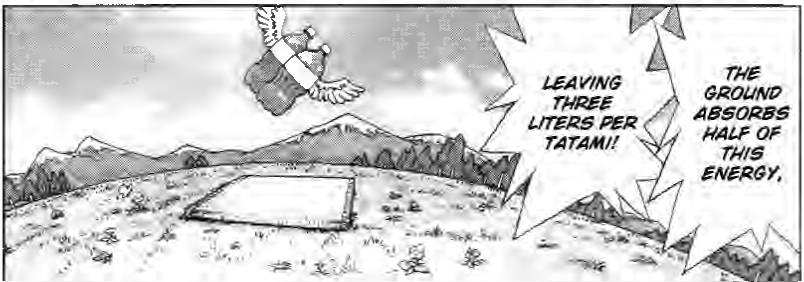
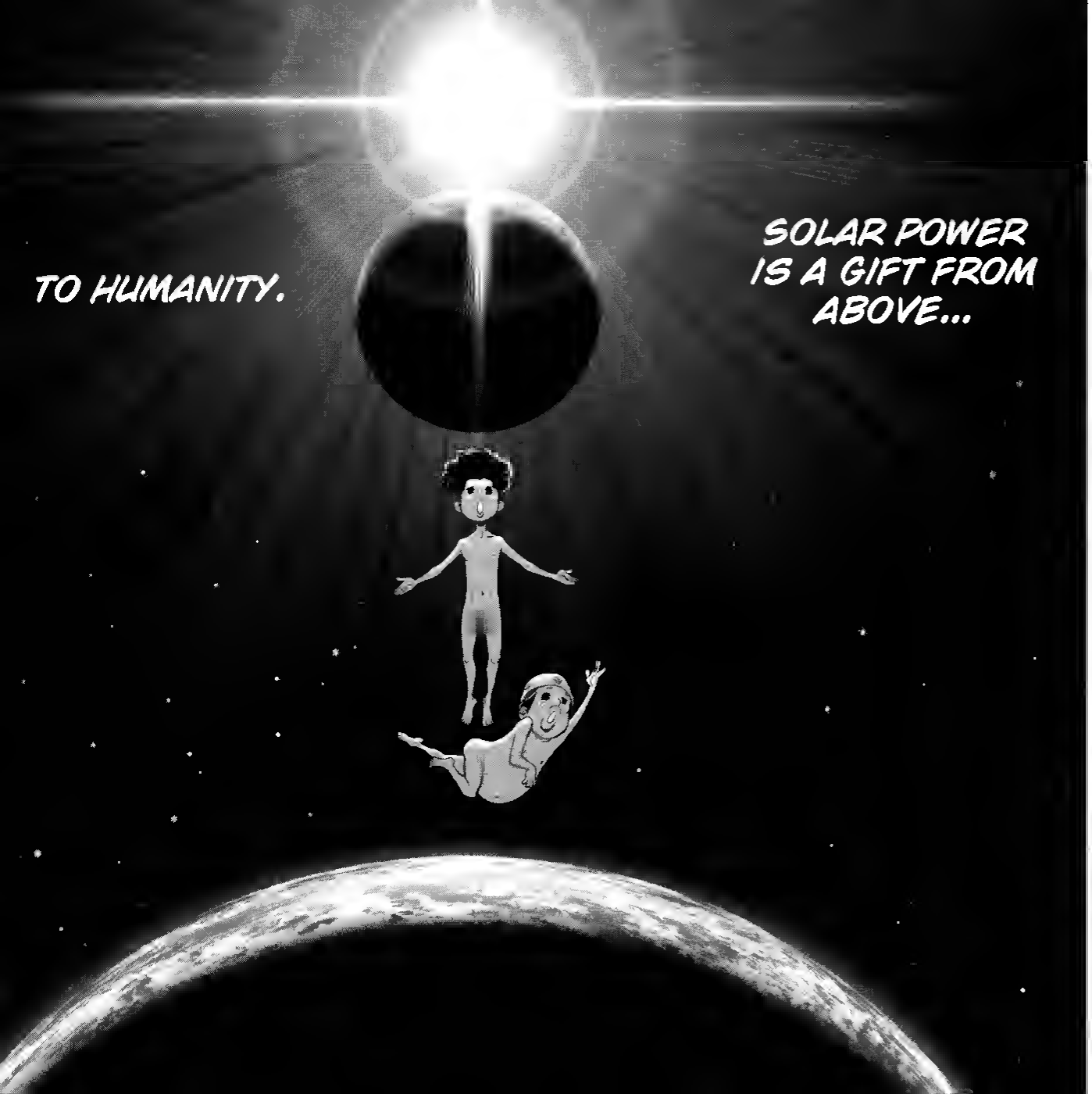
HMM...
PLEASE, COME IN
THANK YOU FOR COMING ALL THE WAY TO OUR PLANT.
WELCOME, DEAR COLLEAGUES FROM JEC.
ALRIGHT, YOU LITTLE SNOTS...
DO YOU KNOW THE ADVANTAGES OF SOLAR ENERGY?

IT'S A FORMI-DABLE RE-SOURCE!
What did he call us?!
IT'S .. MORE ECO-FRIENDLY THAN PETROLEUM, RIGHT?
HUH?!
IT CANNOT BE COMPARED TO PETROLEUM!
THERE IS AN UNLIMITED SUPPLY OF SOLAR ENERGY!
EVERYDAY!
EQUIVA-LENT TO 6 LITERS OF GAS!
ONE TATAMI MAT IN SURFACE AREA CAN ABSORB ENERGY
WHEN THE SUN'S RAYS REACH THE EARTH.
SO MUCH MORE ENERGY IS AVAI-LABLE!
EXAC-TLY!

TN: about 1 US gallon per square meter



200,000,000,000 TON
THE TOTAL SOLAR ENERGY ABSORBED BY THE EARTH EVERY DAY AMOUNTS TO 200 BILLION TONS OF PETROLEUM!
10 YEARS
FOR A WHOLE DECADE!
EVERY SINGLE DAY, THE SUN GIVES US ENOUGH ENERGY TO COVER HUMANITY'S ENERGY NEEDS


TO HUMANITY.
SOLAR POWER IS A GIFT FROM ABOVE...

TOTALLY DIVINE!
AWE-SOME!
THIS IS A GIFT FROM ABOVE!
Aah...
Yay...
SOLAR ENERGY IS DIVINE!

I WON THIS MATCH.
There was a match?
Eh...?
I WAS RIGHT...
ADMIT YOUR DEFEAT!
HEY, FOUR-EYES...
LET US NOW VISIT OUR PLANT.

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WOW...

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THIS WAS ORIGINALLY A LAND FILLED WITH ASHES FROM INCINERATION
REGULATIONS STATE THAT THERE CAN BE NO BUILDINGS HERE FOR TWENTY YEARS, ALLOWING IT TIME TO PURIFY.
THE CITY DECIDED TO LET US USE THIS LAND TO BUILD OUR PLANT FOR FREE.
IT WILL CONTINUE WORKING FOR TWENTY YEARS, AT WHICH POINT THE FIELD BECOMES CONSTRUCTIBLE AGAIN.
AS YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED, THIS AREA IS QUITE WINDY
WE DECIDED TO REDUCE THE INCLINE OF THE PANELS IN ORDER TO RESIST THE WIND AND ENSURE OUR PLANT'S PRODUCTIVITY FOR THE YEARS TO COME
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BY THE WAY, DON'T YOU HAVE DIRECTABLE SOLAR PANELS THAT FOLLOW THE COURSE OF THE SUN?!
HAHA-HA...
SAY, KIDS...
THE PANELS ARE LESS INCLINED THAN I THOUGHT...
LET ME EXPL IN.
KAWASAKI CITY DRIVES FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY TOO.
EXACTLY!

WHY THE PANELS DON'T MOVE AT OUR PLANT?
DO YOU REALLY UNDER-STAND...
IT'S BECAUSE THERE ARE MANY OBVIOUS ADVAN-TAGES!!
Is it more efficient than we thought?
HIS MANNER OF SPEAKING IS SO DAMN ANNOYING!
WITH THE SAME BUDGET, YOU CAN SET UP FAR MORE UNMOVING PANELS THAN PIVOTAL ONES!
STAT-IONARY SOLAR PANELS COST FAR LESS!
THE TRUTH IS, DIRECTABLE PANELS COULD IMPROVE THE PRO-DUCTION OF ELECTRICITY
BY UP TO 15%, IN OUR SITUA-TION.
HOW-EVER...

WE DON'T HAVE TO PAY COSTLY MAINTENANCE FEES!
WE DON'T EVEN HAVE TO CLEAN THEM!
THE RAIN TAKES CARE OF ANY DUST!
AS SUCH...
ONCE ALL OF THESE STATIONARY PANELS ARE SET UP,
THE PRO-DUCTION OF ELECTRICITY COSTS NOTHING FOR OVER TWENTY YEARS!

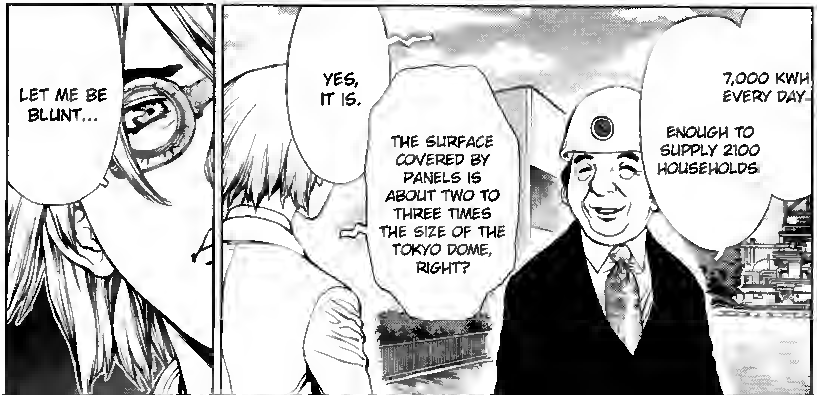
ARE AWE-SOME!
SOLAR POWER PLANTS
DEFI-NITELY!
IT'S THE FUTURE OF ENERGY IN JAPAN!
I CAN SEE THE FUTURE!
I CAN...
NO... IT'S MY OWN FUTURE...
WHAT?

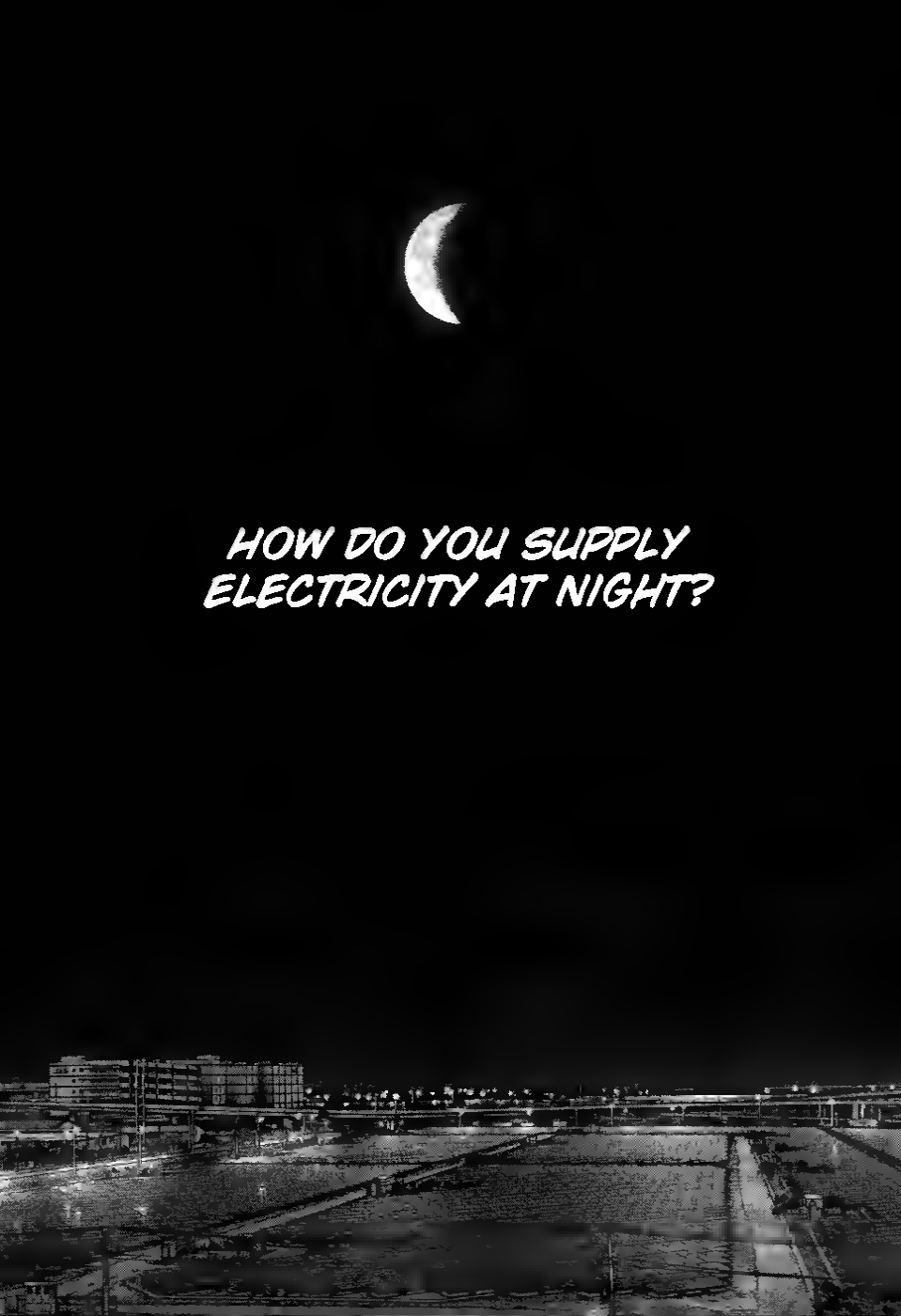
MR. SAKURAGI, YOU WERE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT!
Wha... What about me, dad?
I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT PSYCHIC ANYMORE. YOU WILL BE MY SON FROM NOW ON!!
CRAP! EVEN MY ESP IS NOTHING BEFORE YOUR INFINITE POTENTIAL.
DEA... DEAR HIROSHI...
YOU ARE SO SMART.
MY LOVELY SAKURAGI..
YOU LOOK SO MUCH MORE ATTRACTIVE THAN THAT FOUR-EYED PERVERT!
PLEASE, LOVE ME...

I FORGIVE YOU. I WILL ALLOW YOU TO MARRY ME.
STOP HAVING WEIRD DELU-SIONS!
STOP CONDUCTING USELESS DISPUTES IN PUBLIC
OOH... SHAME ON US...

BY THE WAY, CAN YOU TELL ME...
I'M SO SORRY...
HAHAHA... YOU HAVE SOME FUNNY PEOPLE AT JEC.

HOW MUCH ELECTRICITY IS PRODUCED HERE?


LET ME BE BLUNT...
YES, IT IS.
THE SURFACE COVERED BY PANELS IS ABOUT TWO TO THREE TIMES THE SIZE OF THE TOKYO DOME, RIGHT?
7,000 KWH EVERY DAY.
ENOUGH TO SUPPLY 2100 HOUSEHOLDS.


HOW DO YOU SUPPLY
ELECTRICITY AT NIGHT?

DO YOU HAVE WAYS TO AVOID BLACK-OUTS?!
WHAT DO YOU DO THEN?
OF COURSE! WHEN THE SUN IS HIDDEN...
THE PLANT ISN'T PRODUCING ELECTRICITY!
?
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HAHAHA,
I UNDER-STAND YOUR CONCERN.
BUT THAT'S NO PROBLEM.
WE'RE IN AN INDUSTRIAL ZONE
OUR COM-PANY OWNS MANY POWER PLANTS, INCLUDING INCINERATION PLANTS.
IN TERMS OF PRODUC-TION ..
THE PHO-TOVOLTAIC ENERGY COUNTS FOR ONLY A SMALL PORTION OF OUR RESERVE.
BECAUSE OF THAT, WE CAN PROVIDE ELECTRICITY TO EVERY-BODY AT ANY GIVEN TIME.

IT'S BECAUSE
SOLAR POWER IS ONLY A MINOR PART OF YOUR PRODUCTION
THAT THERE IS NO PROBLEM?
ABSO-LUTELY.

WHAT IF THIS PART...
WERE TO GROW BIGGER?
WHAT?
SAY...
BUT...
WHAT IS YOUR OBJECTIVE?
I THOUGHT YOU WERE COMING TO PROMOTE
OUR INNOVATIVE PROJECT.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR THE ENERGY SOURCE THAT WILL CHANGE THIS WORLD.

I AM SORRY FOR THE MISUNDER-STANDING.
BUT WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME.
WE NEED TO FIND A SOLUTION TO OVERCOME THE DISASTER THAT IS YET TO COME.
THE PREY WE ARE STALKING...
IS CALLED "NEW GEN ENERGY".
He's so persuasive.

WHAT IF SOLAR ENERGY BECOMES THE PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF ENERGY IN JAPAN .?
HOW WOULD WE DO AT NIGHT?

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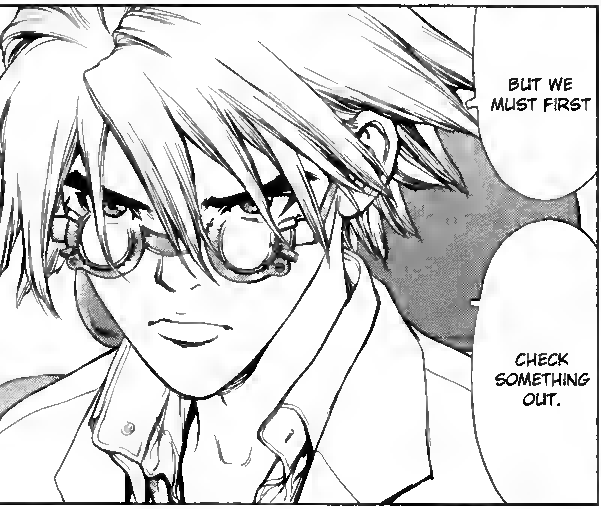
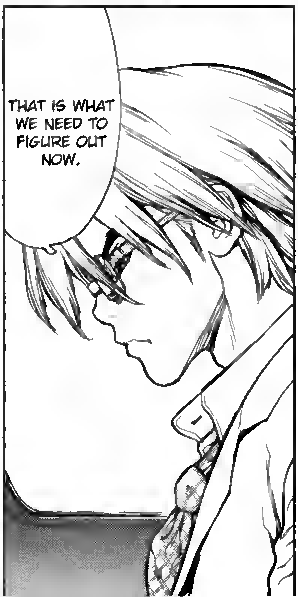
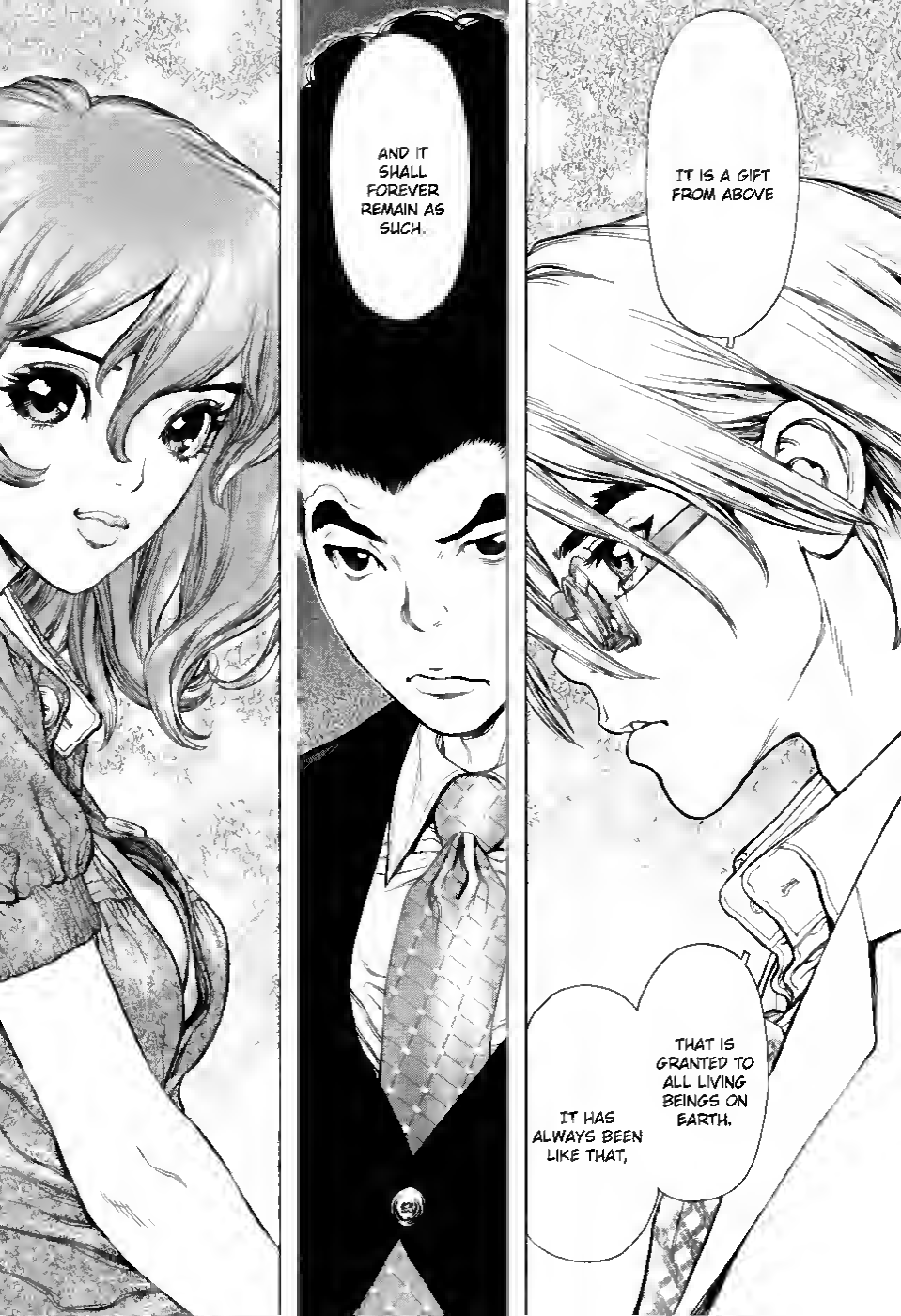

BUT WE MUST FIRST CHECK SOMETHING OUT.


THAT IS WHAT WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT NOW.

LET'S GO TO GUNMA!
SAKURAGI...
YOU WERE SAYING EARLIER THAT
SOLAR ENERGY IS A GIFT FROM ABOVE TO HUMANITY...
I THINK
YOU ARE FORGETTING SOMETHING.
IT IS NOT ONLY MEANT FOR HUMANS.


IT IS A GIFT FROM ABOVE
AND IT SHALL FOREVER REMAIN AS SUCH.
IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THAT,
THAT IS GRANTED TO ALL LIVING BEINGS ON EARTH.

FOR ALL FORMS OF LIFE ON EARTH!!
THE GIFT FROM ABOVE

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